

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 BONN 01240 231648Z

47

ACTION SS-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 /026 W
----- 126978

O P 231637Z JAN 76

FM AMEMBASSY BONN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5903

INFO AMEMBASSY ANKARA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY ATHENS PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY LONDON PRIORITY

S E C R E T BONN 01240

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: GW, TU, GR, PFOR

SUBJECT: CHANCELLOR'S COMMENTS ON THE SECRETARY'S
ORAL MESSAGE

REF: A) STATE 016509; B) BONN 0796

1. I WAS ABLE TO CONVEY PERSONALLY TO THE CHANCELLOR
TODAY THE SECRETARY'S ORAL MESSAGE CONCERNING THE SITUA-
TION IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AS CONTAINED IN REFTEL

A. WHEN I MENTIONED THE CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE WHICH THE
SECRETARY KNEW HE HAD PLAYED AT THE HELSINGOR CONFER-
ENCE, HE LAUGHED AND SAID THAT HE WAS GLAD
TO GET SOME

THANKS FOR WHAT HE HAD DONE, SINCE HE WAS GENERALLY
BEING CRITICIZED IN THE LEFT-WING EUROPEAN PRESS FOR
HIS ECONOMIC VIEWS AND FOR HAVING BEEN TOO UNBENDING
IN HIS ATTITUDE TOWARDS COOPERATION WITH THE COMMUNIST
PARTIES IN EUROPE. AS A MATTER OF FACT, HE ADDED, HE
HAD NOT BEEN ALONE IN HIS CRITICISM OF MITTERAND.
SOMEWHAT TO HIS SURPRISE, BOTH WILSON AND PALME HAD
JOINED HIM IN SUCH CRITICISM DURING THE CLOSED DIS-
CUSSIONS. HOWEVER, SINCE THOSE TWO LEADERS SEEMED TO
BE THE DARLINGS OF THE LEFT-WING PRESS IN EUROPE, THE
SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 BONN 01240 231648Z

EDITORIAL WRITERS TOOK AFTER HIM (SCHMIDT) ALONE AND

DID NOT ATTACK WILSON OR PALME.

2. ON CYPRUS AND TURKEY, THE CHANCELLOR SAID THAT HE HAD YESTERDAY DECIDED TO MAKE A VISIT OF ONE OR TWO DAYS TO SAUDI ARABIA, PROBABLY IN MAY. HE WOULD TRY TO COMBINE THIS WITH A SHORT VISIT TO ANKARA. SINCE FEELERS WERE ONLY JUST NOW GOING OUT ABOUT THE LATTER POSSIBILITY, HE REQUESTED THAT, FOR THE PRESENT AT LEAST, WE NOT DISCUSS THE ANKARA STOP-OVER WITH ANY-ONE. AS THE TIME APPROACHED FOR HIS TRIP, HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH US TO OBTAIN OUR CURRENT ESTIMATE OF THE SITUATION AND OUR JUDGMENT AS TO WHAT HE COULD MOST HELPFULLY DO AND SAY IN ANKARA.

3. THE CHANCELLOR WAS AWARE THAT I WAS ALSO SEEING PARTY CHAIRMAN BRANDT TODAY, AND SAID HE ASSUMED I WOULD GET AN ACCOUNT OF CERTAIN OTHER ASPECTS OF THE HELSINGOR CONFERENCE FROM HIM.
HILLENBRAND

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PERSONAL OPINION, DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS, POLITICAL SITUATION, MEETINGS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 23 JAN 1976
Decaption Date: 28 MAY 2004
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: ElyME
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976BONN01240
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760026-0759
From: BONN
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760129/aaaaazej.tel
Line Count: 80
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION SS
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Reference: 76 STATE 16509, 76 BONN 796
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ElyME
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 26 APR 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <26 APR 2004 by izenbei0>; APPROVED <20 AUG 2004 by ElyME>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: CHANCELLOR'S COMMENTS ON THE SECRETARY'S ORAL MESSAGE
TAGS: PFOR, GE, TU, GR, (SCHMIDT, HELMUT)
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006